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## AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) TRANSITION PLAN PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETING February 28, 2007 at 5:30 pm Louise Lowry Davis Center

## SANTA BARBARA, CA – February 13, 2007

Community members are invited to attend a public outreach meeting regarding the City's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan on Wednesday, February 28, 2007 at 5:30 pm at the Louise Lowry Davis Center located at 1232 De La Vina Street.

The meeting is being held to receive public comment regarding the City's ADA Transition Plan Update project. The Plan identifies physical barriers to access City buildings and facilities and prioritizes work projects for the removal of such barriers. The Plan also describes the City's efforts to make City programs, services and activities accessible to all members of the public. Public input is essential to maintain the City's existing Plan as a living document and to help prioritize future accessibility projects.

Gilda Puente-Peters Architects, Universal Design Specialists have been contracted by the City to do the Plan. They have extensive experience helping cities and school districts meet Federal (ADA) and State accessibility requirements. The meeting will include a PowerPoint presentation of the evaluations being conducted at over 200 City facilities. We encourage public participation.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact Traci Alvarez at 564-5468. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements.